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#### **Foreword**

I've been using ON1's software for many years now, harking back to Perfect Effects 4! Over the years, the tools have continued to grow. It's no wonder their software remains an integral part of my postprocessing workflow.

This book is to help you understand the fundamentals of Photo RAW. Whether you are using Photo RAW as a standalone program or as a plug-in, by the end of this book, you will get the most out of Photo RAW. I have included short exercises to help reinforce the key concepts explained in the book. Practice images are available for download so you can follow along with the examples in the book.

I am also a big believer in teaching why to use a tool, slider, or feature. How to use a tool is the mechanics, and having powerful tools at our fingertips is good. Knowing when and why to use a tool unlocks the creative mind. Throughout this book, I make a point to explain why features are useful and in what situations I use them.

A final thought before we dive into Photo RAW is that the photographer makes a great photo. The camera plays its part. The software plays another. You, the photographer, bring it all together.

Have fun!

- Scott

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